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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 10
Attention: OCE-133
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Seattle, WA 98101

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter serves to fulfill Part IV.G.2 of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, Number WA-000206-2. Between July 30, 2018 and August 13, 2018, an estimated 80,000 gallons of sanitary sewer effluent entered the storm sewer system in the north west corner of Naval Base (NAVBASE) Kitsap – Bremerton and subsequently flowed to Sinclair Inlet.

On July 30, 2018, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Northwest (NAVFAC NW) Public Works Department Kitsap (PWDK) responded to complaints of a strong sewer smell and began investigating potential causes, focusing on cross connections between the storm and sanitary sewer systems. On August 13, 2018, a blockage in the sanitary sewer system was found to be causing a backup of wastewater into the storm sewer. The blockage was immediately cleared and flow into the storm sewer stopped. On August 14, 2018 verbal notifications were made to the Environmental Protection Agency and Washington Department of Ecology, and the storm sewer line was flushed using a vacuum truck to capture the rinse water. NAVFAC NW PWDK excavated the area on August 16, 2018 and completed repairs on cracked sanitary sewer piping which, due to the backup, caused flow through the soil into the adjacent, damaged storm sewer piping. Further repairs are in progress on the damaged storm sewer piping discovered during the excavation to prevent reoccurrence.

Questions or comments regarding this information may be addressed to Mr. Trevor Richardson, Code 106.32, at (360) 476-0118.

Sincerely,

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